

PRIDGE PIKE UPDATE

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Improvement Project in Whitemarsh & Springfield Townships

FEBRUARY 2023

What is the Ridge Pike Improvement Project?

Ridge Pike is a major roadway through Montgomery County dating back to Pennsylvania's colonial era, when it connected Philadelphia and Reading.

Today, the county owns Ridge Pike between Philadelphia and Norristown, a stretch of road that passes through numerous suburban communities, connects to I-476 and provides an alternative to I-76, the Schuylkill Expressway. It was originally paved in the 1930's.

Parts of Ridge Pike have not changed much since the early 1900's. Some sections were widened in the 1970's or as development occurred but much of this portion of Ridge Pike needs

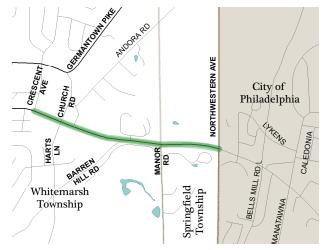
extensive repair, additional travel lanes and drainage upgrades. Ridge Pike accommodates daily traffic volumes of 30,000 vehicles, and thousands more

when incidents on the Schuylkill Expressway divert traffic.

The Ridge Pike Improvement Project in Whitemarsh and Springfield Townships will rebuild the road from the bottom up, improve safety and reduce congestion. The project will also improve pedestrian safety and transit accessibility by

providing a continuous sidewalk along the road. This work will be funded 100% by Montgomery County.

Project Area: Crescent Avenue to Philadelphia

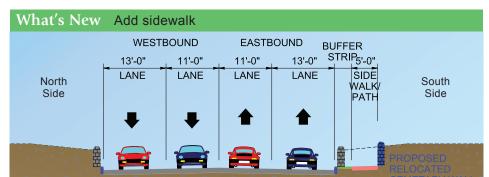


The Ridge Pike reconstruction will provide numerous What are the project's benefits? benefits to citizens, drivers and businesses, including: PRESERVE HISTORIC **IMPROVED CHARACTER** WALKABILITY **SIGNALIZED** INTERSECTIONS BETTER **SMOOTHER DRAINAGE DRIVING SURFACE SAFER** REDUCED **TURNING** CONGESTION

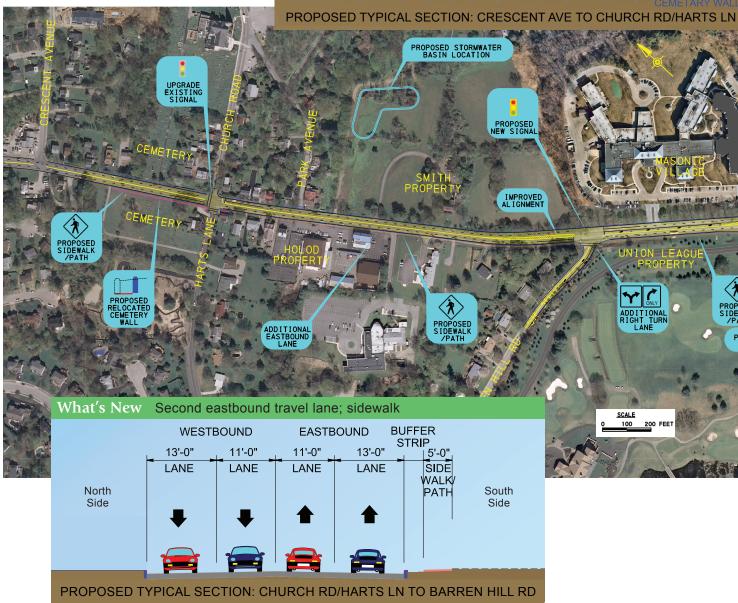
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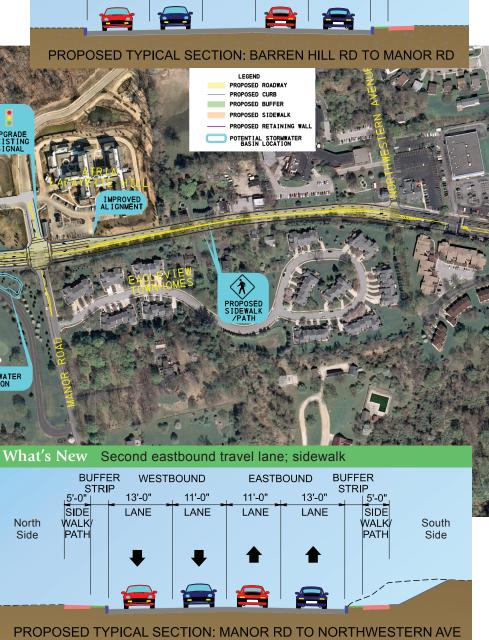
What improvements are being planned?

Montgomery County is committed to ensuring that the Ridge Pike Improvement Project in Whitemarsh and Springfield Townships improves safety and mobility for both drivers and pedestrians.









Ridge Pike needs to be a 21st century roadway to carry 30,000 vehicles a day, allow safer pedestrian movements, and support local businesses.

30,000Cars Per Day

Rebuilding Infrastructure:

Ridge Pike is a critical link in the region's road network; the county will update Ridge Pike to 21st century standards.

Install Sidewalks:

Providing sidewalks along Ridge Pike will improve pedestrian safety and comfort.

Reconstruct Entire Road:

Originally paved in the 1930's, Ridge Pike is in need of a complete reconstruction.

Upgrade Drainage:

Modern drainage facilities will improve safety by managing stormwater.

Installing New Signal at Barren Hill Rd:

New and coordinated traffic signals will reduce congestion and help control travel speeds.

Road Widening:

Completion of the second eastbound travel lane will improve traffic flow.

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What is the status of the project?

Construction started in March 2022 with utility relocations. Roadway construction will begin in 2023 and will continue through the end of 2024.

CONSTRUCTION COST:

\$14,077,462

FUNDS:

Montgomery County

CONSTRUCTION START:

March 2022

ENGINEER:

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